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BIDEZ, J. *Philostorgius Kirchengeschichte* (Die Griechischen christlichen Schriftsteller der ersten drei Jahrhunderte herausgegeben von der Kirchenväter-Commission der Königl. Preussischen Akademie der Wissenschaften). Leipzig: Hinrichs, 1913. clxviii+340 pages. M. 8.

With this work the Commission of the Royal Prussian Academy continues its useful publications of Christian and gnostic works written in the Greek tongue during the first three centuries. Twenty volumes have already appeared; the present volume constitutes the twenty-first. It contains very considerable fragments (enough to cover about 150 octavo pages, one-third of which perhaps are taken up with notes) of a historian, Philostorgius, who aimed to continue the history of the church from the point at which Eusebius had left off down to his own time; he seems to have ceased writing somewhere between 425 and 433. That Philostorgius, a contemporary of Orosius, Socrates, and Sozomenus, should be less well known is due apparently less to inferiority than to unorthodoxy. His reliability is rated by the present editor more highly than by previous students. Bidez, moreover, emphasizes the fact that Philostorgius is not an Arian, as he has been usually called, but a Eunomian. As such he aims to write a history of the true church, that is, the Eunomian church, in its contrast with heathenism as well as in its struggles against false orthodoxy. His particular value consists in the different angle from which he views men and events of the hundred years of which he treats.

The value of the present edition consists in the fuller text presented, and in the rich introduction which, among other things, shows by its discussion of the writers, who through their use of Philostorgius have preserved him, the methods by which the editor has been enabled to reach his results.

CLEMEN, OTTO. *Luthers Werke in Auswahl unter Mitwirkung von Albert Leitzmann herausgegeben von Otto Clemen*. Bonn: A. Marcus u. E. Webers Verlag. Vols. II and III, 1912-13, iv+464 pages, ii+516 pages. Each, cloth M. 5.

These volumes are the continuation of the admirable, scientifically edited, and chronologically arranged edition of the select works of Luther, of which the first volume was noticed in the last number of this journal. The second volume contains fifteen works, the third, nine (1520-28), printed in the original German or Latin, and the German so faithfully reproduced that the volumes also become available to the student of Germanics. In the third volume the whole of the *De servo arbitrio* is given, which, though a most characteristic utterance of Luther, was relegated more and more to the background in his onward course. The only English-speaking scholar who has ever done justice to this famous treatise and given it its proper theological place is, we think, the late Professor James W. Richard, of Gettysburg, in the *Lutheran Quarterly*, April, 1903, pp. 171 ff., and January, 1904, pp. 50 ff. In this students' edition there are no notes except glossary equivalents at the foot of the page, references to Scripture, etc., and an indication on the side of the corresponding page in the Erlangen and Weimar editions. Of course brief introductions precede each treatise.